

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A method, comprising:

refusing, by a drive, to read information from a first surface of an optical medium when required information on a second surface of the optical medium cannot be read, one of the first and second surfaces being underneath and optically read through the other of the first and second surfaces.
2. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

reading, from the first surface, information that indicates that information on the second surface is required.
3. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

refusing, by the drive, to provide information from a data surface of the optical medium when required information on an external surface of the optical medium cannot be read.
4. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

refusing, by the drive, to provide information from a first data surface of the optical medium when required information on a second data surface of the optical medium cannot be read.
5. (Currently amended) An optical medium, comprising:

a first surface, the first surface having an indication that information on a second surface is required to permit access to content on the first surface; and
information on the second surface corresponding to the indication on the first surface; and

an upper surface of the first and second surfaces being partially reflective and permitting optical access to a lower surface of the first and second surfaces underneath the upper surface.

6. (Original) The optical medium of claim 5, further comprising:
the first surface being an internal data surface; and
the second surface being an external surface.
7. (Original) The optical medium of claim 5, further comprising:
the first surface being an external surface; and
the second surface being an internal data surface.
8. (Original) The optical medium of claim 5, further comprising:
each of the first surface and the second surface being an internal data surface.
9. (Original) The optical medium of claim 5, further comprising:
the information on the second surface comprising a bar code.
10. (Original) The optical medium of claim 5, further comprising:
the information on at least one of the first and second surfaces comprising data in a control block.
11. (Original) The optical medium of claim 5, further comprising:
the information on at least one of the first and second surfaces comprising data encoded in groove wobble.
12. (Original) The optical medium of claim 5, further comprising:
the information on at least one of the first and second surfaces comprising data embedded within other data.

13. (Original) The optical medium of claim 5, further comprising:
the information on the second surface comprising variable information.
14. (Original) The optical medium of claim 13, further comprising:
the information on the second surface comprising a unique identifier of the optical medium.
15. (Currently amended) A drive for optical media, comprising:
a controller, the controller permitting external access to information from a first surface on an optical medium, only when required information can be read on a second surface on the optical medium;
wherein the controller causes a lens to optically focus on a lower surface of the first and second surfaces through an upper surface of the first and second surfaces above the lower surface.
16. (Currently amended) A drive for optical media, comprising:
means for detecting that information on a first surface of an optical medium is required; and
means for refusing to permit external access external to information from a second surface of the optical medium, unless the required information on the first surface can be read by the drive; and
means for optically focusing on a lower surface of the first and second surfaces through an upper surface of the first and second surfaces above the lower surface.